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Before the
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20054

In the Matter of)
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Amendment of 73.202(b))
Table of Allotments)
FM Broadcast Stations)
(Hewitt, TX))

MM Docket No. 99-_____

To: John Karousos, Chief
Allocations Branch
Mass Media Bureau

PETITION FOR RULE MAKING

Pursuant to 47 CFR 1.401, Hewitt Radio Broadcasting Company respectfully petitions the FCC to institute a Rule Making proceeding to amend the FM Table of Allotments to add channel 295A at Hewitt, TX.

DISCUSSION

Petitioner respectfully submits that the public interest would be served by allocating channel 295A to Hewitt, TX, as that community's first FM broadcast transmission service.

Hewitt is an incorporated city (in McLennan County Texas), whose 1990 Census population was 8,983 persons, an increase of more than 70% over its 1980 population. The 1998 population was estimated to have risen to 10,718. ^{1/}

Hewitt has its own schools, its own police and fire departments, and its own post office. Like other "communities" to

^{1/} Texas State Data Center (January 1, 1998 estimate).

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which the FCC has allotted a local FM service, Hewitt has numerous local churches, ^{2/} local medical clinics, ^{3/} a local library, a local weekly newspaper, 344 commercial business establishments, a Chamber of Commerce, several local banks and a nearby airport. Attached hereto is an engineering report, which contains a channel study confirming that channel 295A can be allocated to Hewitt, TX consistent with the FCC's separation rules. See Appendix A.

Allotment of channel 295A to Hewitt, TX would provide that community with its first FM transmission service and would result in a preferential arrangement of FM allotments. See Revision of FM Assignment Policies and Procedures, 90 FCC 2d 88 (1992).

Finally, should this Petition be granted, and channel 295A be allotted to Hewitt, TX, Petitioner will apply for channel 295A and, after it is authorized, will promptly construct the new facility.

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^{2/} First United Methodist Church of Hewitt, Hewitt First Baptist Church, etc.

^{3/} Three clinics, including a branch of the highly regarded Scott & White Clinic.

**ENGINEERING STATEMENT
IN SUPPORT OF
PETITION FOR RULE MAKING**

March 24, 2000

**Hewitt Radio Broadcasting Co.
FM Channel 295A □ 106.9 Megahertz
Hewitt, Texas**



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ENGINEERING STATEMENT

The information and data contained within this engineering statement were prepared on behalf of Hewitt Radio Broadcasting Co., in support of a Petition for Rule Making. The petitioner proposes to amend the FM Table of Allotments, 47 C.F.R. § 73.202(b) of the Commission's Rules, by allotting Channel 295A to Hewitt, Texas.

I. HEWITT, TEXAS

Hewitt is an incorporated city located within McLennan County, Texas. The 1990 U.S. Census population of Hewitt was 8,983 persons, an increase of 71.2 percent above the 1980 U.S. Census population of 5,247 persons. The 1990 U.S. Census population of McLennan County was 189,123 persons.

Hewitt has been assigned Postal ZIP Code 76643 by the U.S. Postal Service. The city has no aural broadcast services. The Bureau of the Census centroid geographic coordinates of Hewitt, referenced to the North American Datum of 1927, are:

North Latitude: 31 degrees, 27 minutes, 04 seconds
West Longitude: 97 degrees, 11 minutes, 37 seconds

Because of stations KRVF(FM) on Channel 295A at Kerens and KDXT-FM on Channel 296C1 at Benbrook, a site restriction is required for the Channel 295A allotment at Hewitt. At a point corresponding to the following geographic coordinates, which is 8.7 kilometers southeast of Hewitt, the Channel 295A allotment can be made at Hewitt in compliance with the minimum distance separation requirements 47 C.F.R. § 73.207.

North Latitude: 31 degrees, 22 minutes, 54 seconds
West Longitude: 97 degrees, 09 minutes, 09 seconds

From these reference geographic coordinates, Channel 295A is fully-spaced to all FCC assignments, allotments and proposals contained within the latest *FCC FM Engineering Database*. Figures one and two show the relative locations of McLennan County within the State of Texas, and of the City of Hewitt within McLennan County. Figures three and four show the incorporated city limits of Hewitt and the allotment reference site. Figure five demonstrates that the entire city limits of Hewitt are within city-grade distance from the proposed allotment reference site.

II. MINIMUM SPACING REQUIREMENTS

The following table lists the nearest assignments and allocations currently on file with the required distance separations for Channel 295A.

As required by § 73.207 all minimum distance separation requirements are met from the Channel 295A allotment reference site proposed for Hewitt. All distances were computed by the methods outlined in § 73.208(c) of the Commission's Rules and were rounded to the nearest kilometer in accordance with § 73.208(c)(8).

ALLOCATION-PERTINENT STATIONS AND SPACING REQUIREMENTS OF § 73.207					
CALL LETTERS	CHANNEL /CLASS	NORTH LATITUDE	WEST LONGITUDE	ACTUAL DISTANCE	REQUIRED DISTANCE
PRM	241-C2	30° 45' 26"	96° 24' 33"	99. Km	15. Km
KXXM	241-C1	29° 38' 00"	98° 37' 50"	240	22
KSCS	242-C	32° 35' 15"	96° 57' 59"	135	29
ALLOC	292-C2	32° 28' 34"	99° 42' 22"	270	55
KOOC	292-C3	31° 03' 46"	97° 31' 54"	51	42
KOOI	293-C	32° 03' 40"	95° 18' 50"	190	95
NEW	293-C3	30° 46' 21"	98° 47' 20"	170	42
ALLOC	294-C2	33° 49' 16"	95° 24' 16"	316	106
PRM	294-A	31° 17' 00"	95° 53' 00"	121	72
KDXT-FM ¹	294-C	32° 15' 07"	98° 02' 48"	128.37	165
KKHT	295-C	30° 13' 53"	95° 07' 26"	232	226
KRVF	295-A	32° 08' 15"	96° 19' 10"	115	115
KWBU ¹	296-A	31° 31' 51"	97° 09' 10"	16.54	72
KDXT-FM	296-C1	32° 26' 17"	97° 49' 06"	133	133
KLFX	297-A	31° 05' 38"	97° 34' 51"	52	31
KISX	297-C2	32° 17' 19"	95° 11' 56"	211	55
ALLOC	297-C3	30° 39' 00"	96° 10' 08"	124	42
KXTN-FM	298-C	29° 16' 29"	98° 15' 52"	257	95
KOAI	298-C1	32° 35' 05"	96° 57' 46"	135	75

¹KDXT-FM is moving from Channel 294C at Granbury to Channel 296C1 at Benbrook, and KWBU(FM) is moving from Channel 296A to Channel 277A at Waco, Texas, by Report and Order, MM Docket No. 98-198, released March 21, 2000.

III. CONCLUSIONS

The results of this study demonstrate that the FM Table of Allotments in § 73.202(b) of the Commission's Rules may be amended in technical compliance with all applicable spacing rules. Therefore, the Petitioner, Hewitt Radio Broadcasting Co., respectfully requests the following change to the Table:

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<u>CITY</u>		<u>CHANNEL</u>
Hewitt, TX		----

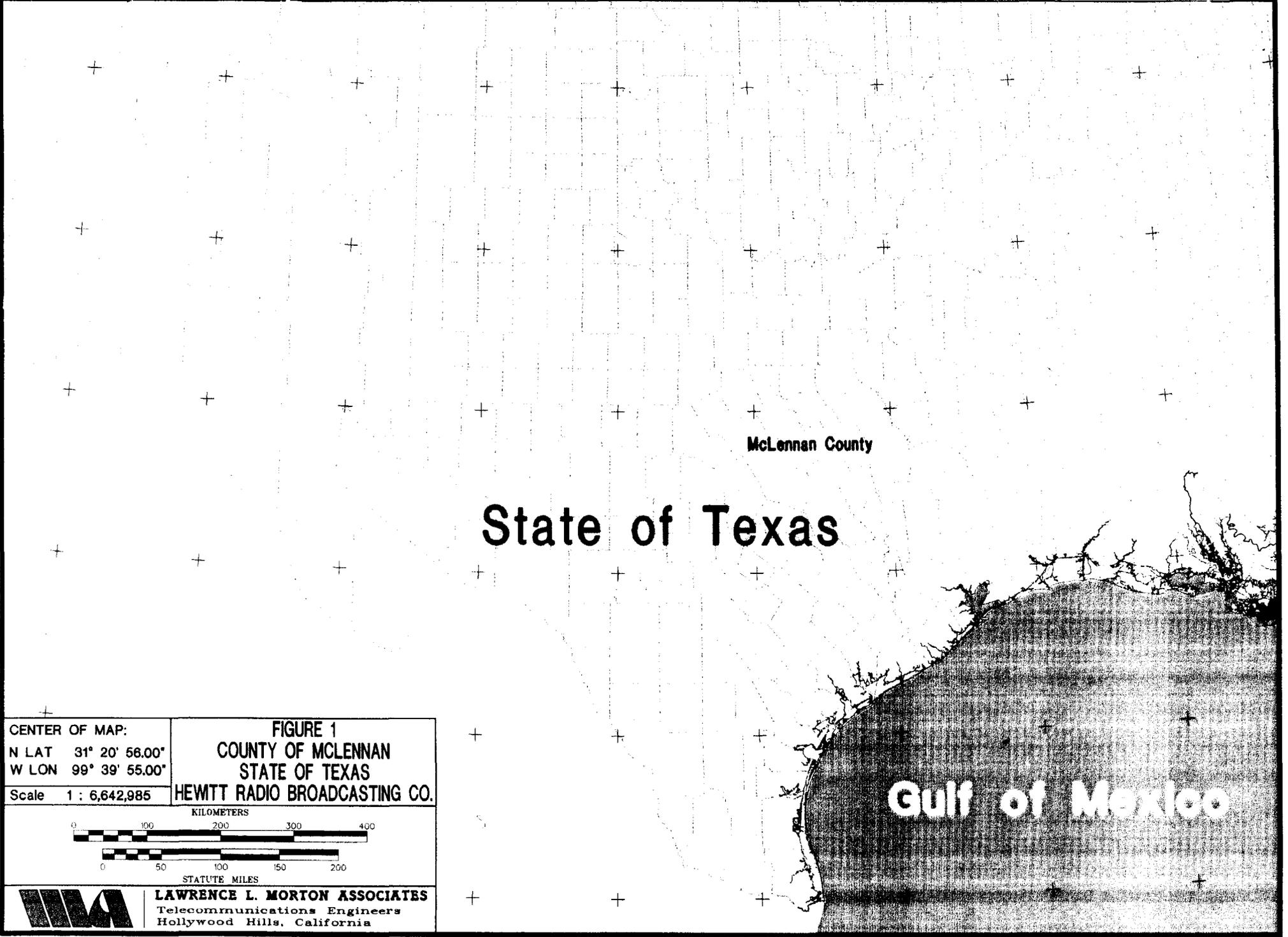
	<u>PROPOSED</u>	
<u>CITY</u>		<u>CHANNEL</u>
Hewitt, TX		295A

The petitioner asserts that, upon allotment of Channel 295A to Hewitt and the lifting of the present freeze on new applications, an application for construction permit to build a new Class A facility will be filed promptly to serve Hewitt, Texas.

Respectfully Submitted,

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March 24, 2000**





McLennan County

State of Texas

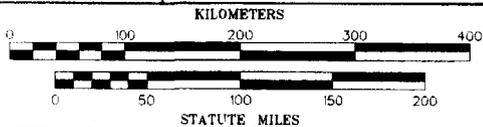
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CENTER OF MAP:

N LAT 31° 20' 56.00"
W LON 99° 39' 55.00"

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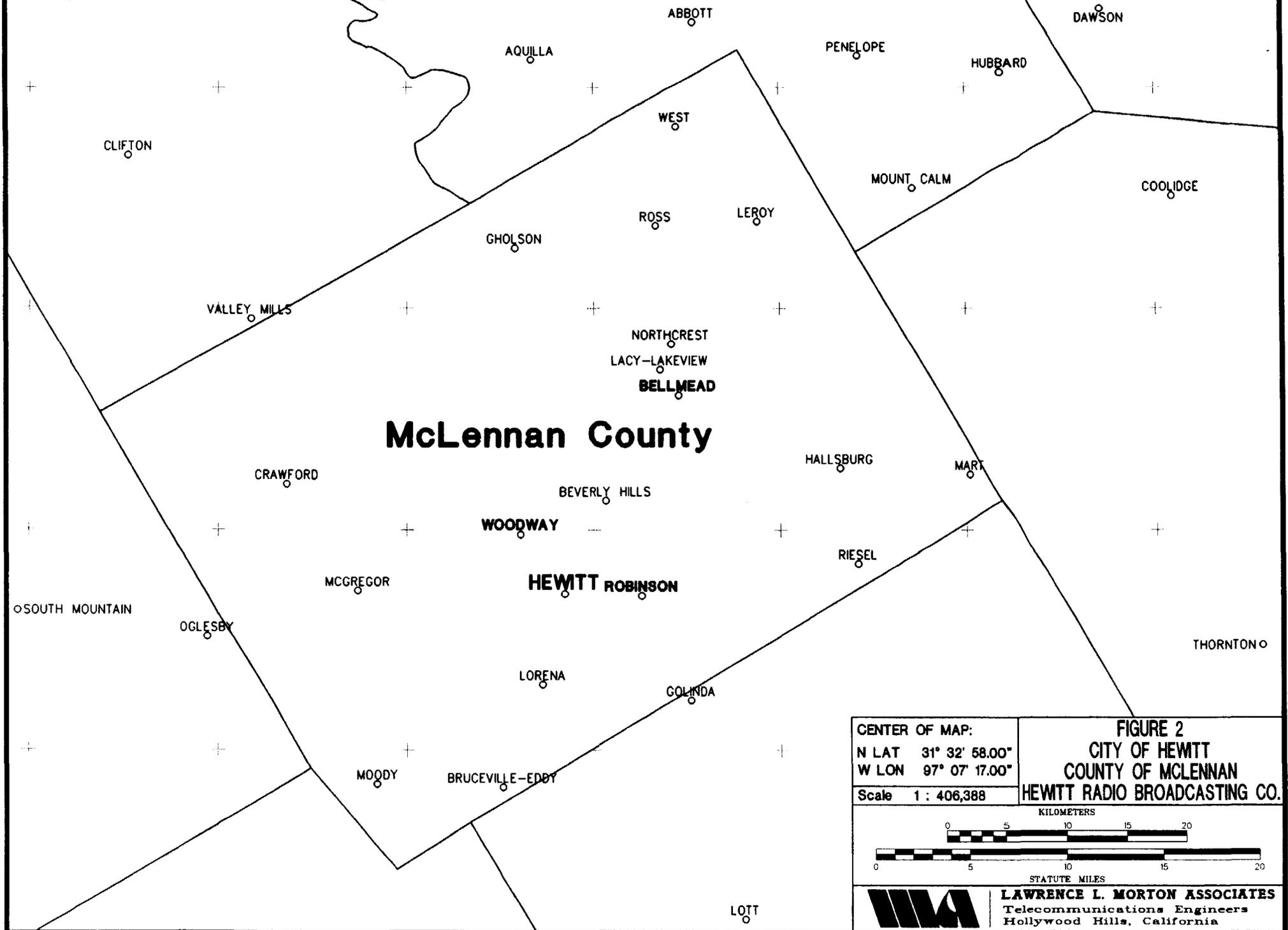
FIGURE 1
COUNTY OF MCLENNAN
STATE OF TEXAS
HEWITT RADIO BROADCASTING CO.



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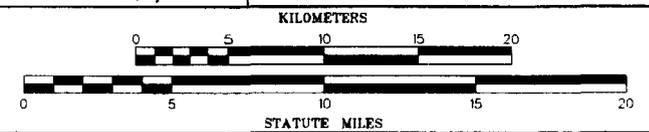
Lambert Azimuthal Equal-Area

10' 00" Graticule Spacing

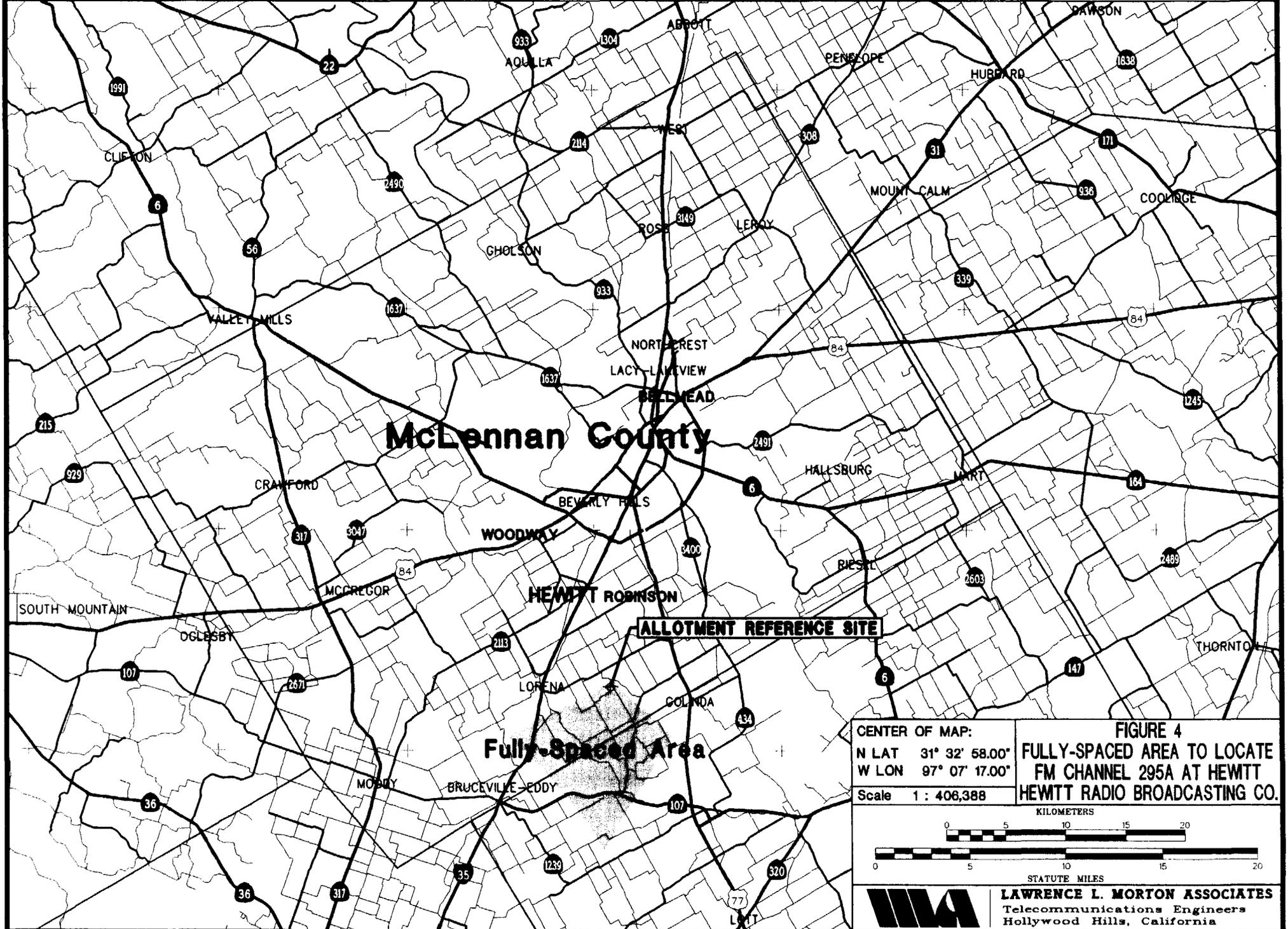


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FIGURE 2
 CITY OF HEWITT
 COUNTY OF MCLENNAN
 HEWITT RADIO BROADCASTING CO.

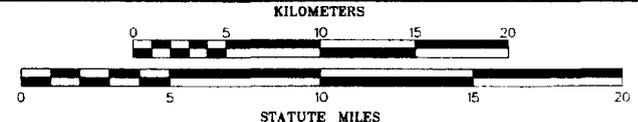


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FIGURE 4
FULLY-SPACED AREA TO LOCATE
FM CHANNEL 295A AT HEWITT
HEWITT RADIO BROADCASTING CO.



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Lambert Azimuthal Equal-Area

5' 00" Graticule Spacing

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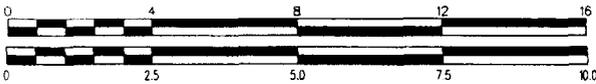
FIGURE 5

N LAT 31° 23' 18.00"
W LON 97° 11' 46.00"

70 dBu F(50,50) CITY GRADE CONTOUR
FROM PROPOSED FM CHANNEL 295A
ALLOTMENT REFERENCE SITE
HEWITT RADIO BROADCASTING CO.

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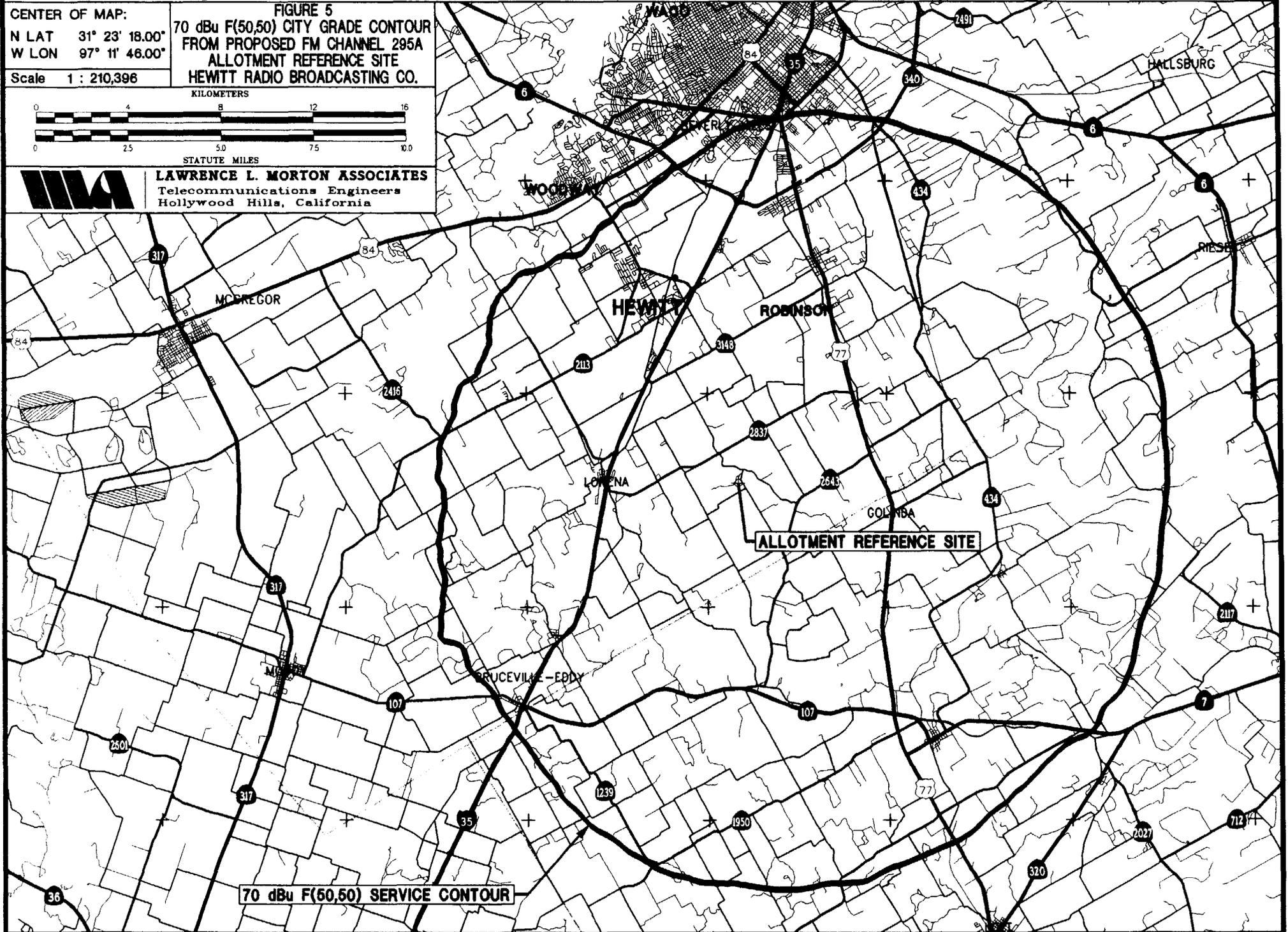
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70 dBu F(50,50) SERVICE CONTOUR

